

## FREER

### John Freer of Birmingham, Warwicks surgeon 1725-1808

b 1 Mar 1725 *son of Thomas Freer*  
m1 Sarah Leacroft  
m2 ..... Freer of Leics; (but had no chn)  
d 6 Sep 1808; i 20 Sep 1808 Moseley  
(of Dale End, Birmingham; The Priory, Handsworth; and Moseley surgeon)  
chn: John Freer [1] b 12 Feb 1752 below  
William Leacroft Freer [2] c 20 May 1755 Birmingham St Philip  
Catherine Freer m Samuel Proud of Bilston surgeon; (and had 6 chn)  
Thomas Freer [3]  
George Freer [4] b c1771 further below

### John Freer of Birmingham, Warwicks surgeon 1752-1793

b 12 Feb 1752  
m 29 Jun 1776 .....: Jane Lane dau of Thomas Lane of Bentley in Wolverhampton, Staffs  
Esquire 1703-1775 and (his 2nd wife) Ann Sayer of Lichfield, Staffs; b c1748;  
d *aged* 77 18 Jul 1825 "The Rectory", Handsworth; i Handsworth; M.I.  
d 17 Oct 1793; i Handsworth; M.I.  
(Surgeon, Birmingham & General Hospital) 1779-1793  
chn: Thomas Lane Freer b c1777 below

### Thomas Lane Freer c1777-1835

b c1777  
m 29 Apr 1800 Oxford St Peter: Sarah dau of Nathan Wetherall (Dean of Hereford);  
d *aged* 63 2 Jan 1842 Southsea  
d *aged* 58 25 Mar 1835  
(aged 15, matriculated from Pembroke, Oxford) 8 Nov 1792 [FOSTER]  
(B.A.) 1797  
(M.A.) 1799  
(Vicar, Wasperton)  
(Rector, Handsworth St Mary, Staffs) 2 Aug 1803-d  
- (presented by George Birch)  
- (instituted) 2 Aug 1803  
chn: John Lane Freer [1] b c1803 below  
Richard Lane Freer [2] b c1806 below  
Mary Jane Freer m 15 Feb 1827 Handsworth: William MacMichael physician  
1783-1839 [DNB]; (and had chn: Mary Jane MacMichael b 1829; m 22 Aug 1861 John Cheese of Bushbury)

### John Lane Freer c1803-1834

b c1803 Hereford *1st son of Thomas Lane Freer c1777-1835 [SCD] and Sarah dau of Nathan Wetherall (Dean of Hereford)*  
d 1834 Abroad  
(educated at Westminster by Dr Goodenough)  
(aged 18, matriculated from Christ Church, Oxford) 19 Jan 1821  
(aged 18, admitted pensioner at Trinity, Cambridge) 20 Oct 1821  
(matriculated) Michs 1821  
(B.A.) 1826  
(M.A.) 1829  
(played for Cambridge in the first inter-University cricket match at Lord's)  
4 Jun 1827  
(Vicar, Wasperton, Warwicks) 1829-32  
(Vicar, Perry Barr, Staffs) 1832-d

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### Richard Lane Freer c1806-1863

b c1806 Handsworth *2nd son of Thomas Lane Freer c1777-1835 [SCD] and Sarah dau of Nathan Wetherall (Dean of Hereford)*  
m cMay 1848 Hereford RD: Harriet dau of J---- Clutton (Canon of Hereford); d 1875 Malvern

d aged 56 11 Aug 1863 at "The Rectory", Bishopstone; i Bishopstone  
 (educated at Westminster)  
 (aged 18, matriculated from Christ Church, Oxford) 28 Apr 1824  
 (B.A.) 1828  
 (M.A.) 1830  
 (Stipendiary Curate, Handsworth, Staffs)  
 - (licensed) 26 Mar 1830  
 (Perpetual Curate, Perry Barr, Staffs, until resignation) a5 Jul 1834  
 - (presented by John Gough of Perry Hall)  
 - (licensed) 17 Feb 1834  
 (Rector, Bishopstone-cum-Yazor, Herefs) 1838-d  
 (B.D.) 1839  
 (Vicar, Mansel Lacy, Herefs) 1840  
 (Archdeacon, Hereford) 1852-d  
 (D.D.) 1858  
 (Prelector, Hereford Cathedral) 1861-d  
 (J.P.)

*Aug. 11. At Bishopstone, aged 56, Richard Lane Freer, D.D., Archdeacon of Hereford, Prelector of Hereford Cathedral, and Rector of Bishopstone-cum-Yazor. He was the only surviving son of the Rev. Thomas Lane Freer, from 1835 till 1843 Rector of Handsworth, near Birmingham. He was educated at Westminster School, to which he was always warmly attached, officiating as steward of the Old Westminsters' dinner in 1845, and signing the memorial (1847) to Dean Buckland in favour of the continuance of the Westminster Play, his constant attendance at which was the signal for a hearty welcome. In 1829 he was ordained deacon to his father's curacy at Handsworth, and in 1830 priest. In 1852 Bishop Hampden appointed him Archdeacon of Hereford, on the resignation of his aged relative, the Ven. Henry Wetherell, B.D., Canon of Gloucester, and Rector of Thruston and Kentworth, Herefordshire. In 1861 he became Prelector of the Cathedral, vice the Rev. W. E. Evans, appointed a Canon Residentiary. He married, in 1848, Harriet, dau. of the Rev. J. Clutton, D.D., Canon of Hereford. Beside his first Charge, which was published, Archdeacon Freer published a volume of hymns, a sermon preached at the consecration of St. John's, Perry-bar (Hands-worth), in 1833, and a farewell sermon at Handsworth in 1835.*  
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**George Freer 1771-1823**

b 1771 4th son of John Freer of Birmingham, Warwicks surgeon 1725-1808 and Sarah Leacroft  
 m Joanna dau of Thomas Goodall of Coventry, Warwicks banker  
 d 2 Jan 1823; i Handsworth; M.I.  
 (Surgeon, Birmingham & General Hospital) 1793  
 (of "The Friary", Handsworth)  
 (author of medical works)  
 chn: George Freer b c1797; m ..... Thomas; (and had chn: [7 sons, 2 daus]); d 28 May 1862; (aged 18, matriculated from Christ Church, Oxford) 8 May 1815; (B.A.) 1819; (M.A.) 1821; (B.Med) 1822; (of London)  
 Frances Freer m 22 Jan 1828 Handsworth to R.C. Hamilton Gordon  
 (Lieut., 95th Regt)  
 Kate Freer m Thomas Rowley Gordon (Captain)

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**Thomas Freer of Caldwell, Derbys gentleman 1771-1850**

b 9 Jul 1771  
 m 23 Jun 1800 Mary Mousley dau and coheir of Benjamin Mousley of Seale House;  
 d 29 March 1825 Caldwell  
 d 5 Apr 1850 Birmingham  
 chn: Thomas Freer b 30 Apr 1801 below  
 William Freer b 1 Oct 1803; unnm.; d 1867

Mary Jane Freer b 25 Dec 1805; 83; m 19 May 1828 Stapenhill, Derbys: William  
Berrow of Burton-upon-Trent, Staffs M.R.C.S. ?1797-1880 [SMR]; d 6 Nov 1883

**Thomas Freer of "Birchfield House", Birmingham surgeon 1801-1879**

b 30 Apr 1801

m 30 Oct 1827 Handsworth St Mary: Elizabeth Reynolds Haughton dau and coheir of  
William Haughton of "Birchfield House", Birmingham draper c1765-1847; c 11 Sep  
1799

Birmingham St Philip; d 12 Jul 1876; Will (Intestate)

d 20 Mar 1879

chn: William Haughton Freer b 4 Nov 1829; c 14 Jan 1830 Birmingham St Philip below

Thomas Henry Freer b 22 Jul 1833; c 12 Sep 1833 Birmingham St Philip below

Robert Reynolds Freer b 30 Mar 1835; c 27 May 1835 Birmingham St Philip;

d aged 7m 27 Oct 1835

Mary Elizabeth Freer b 27 Jan 1837; c 29 Mar 1837 Birmingham St Philip;

d *aged* 21 6 Mar 1858

William Haughton Freer clerk 1830-

b 4 Nov 1829; c 14 Jan 1830 Birmingham St Philip

m 8 Jan 1861 Harriet Eleanor dau of William Haden, J.P. & D.L., of Dixon's Green,  
Dudley.

M.A. Trin. Coll. Camb.,

rector of Seckington

He s. to and is joint owner with his brother of estates at Netherseale, Birchfield,  
Haughton, Brewood, and Shareshill.

Thomas Henry Freer of Sudbury, Derbys clerk 1833-

c 12 Sep 1833 Birmingham St Philip

(as 2nd son of Thomas Freer of Birchfield, Stafford, M.A. (Cantab)); (Rector of  
Sudbury, Derby) 1877-96; (Archdeacon, Derby) 1891-6 [KELLY'S HANDBOOK 1896]

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